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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by: (GAE)

AN ACT RESTORING THE CITIZENS' ELECTION PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsections (a) to (c), inclusive, of section 9-704 of the
- 2 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):
- 4 (a) The amount of qualifying contributions that the candidate
- 5 committee of a candidate shall be required to receive in order to be
- 6 eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be:
- 7 (1) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office
- 8 of Governor, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount of
- 9 two hundred fifty thousand dollars, [of which] including contributions
- in the aggregate amount of two hundred twenty-five thousand dollars
- 11 [or more is contributed by] from at least two thousand two hundred fifty
- 12 individuals residing in the state, except that in the case of a primary or
- election held in [2022] 2026, or thereafter, the aggregate contribution
- amounts shall be first adjusted under subdivision (1) of subsection (b)

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of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars with exactly fifty dollars rounded upward. The provisions of this subdivision shall be subject to the following: (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision and subsection (g) of section 9-610, (i) [before January 1, 2019, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds one hundred dollars, (ii) on and after January 1, 2019, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds two hundred fifty dollars, and [(iii)] (ii) any such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amounts under this subdivision, (B) all contributions received by (i) an exploratory committee established by said candidate, or (ii) an exploratory committee or candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor who is deemed to be jointly campaigning with a candidate for nomination or election to the office of Governor under subsection (a) of section 9-709, which meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this section shall be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amounts, and (C) in the case of a primary or election held in [2022] 2026, or two-hundred-fifty-dollar thereafter, the maximum individual contribution amount provided in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall be first adjusted under subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of ten dollars with exactly five dollars rounded upward, provided such adjusted and rounded amount shall not exceed the applicable contribution limit set forth in subsection (a) of section 9-611.

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the case of a primary or election for Lieutenant Governor held in [2022] 2026, or thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts shall be first adjusted under subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars with exactly fifty dollars rounded upward and in the case of a primary or election for Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State held in 2018, or thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts shall be first adjusted under subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars with exactly fifty dollars rounded upward. The provisions of this subdivision shall be subject to the following: (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision and subsection (g) of section 9-610, (i) [before January 1, 2019, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds one hundred dollars, (ii) on and after January 1, 2019, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds two hundred fifty dollars, and [(iii)] (ii) any such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amounts under this subdivision, (B) all contributions received by an exploratory committee established by said candidate that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this section shall be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amounts, and (C) in the case of a primary or election held in [2022] 2026, or thereafter, the two-hundred-fifty-dollar maximum individual contribution amount provided in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall be first adjusted under subdivision (1) of subsection (c) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of ten dollars with exactly five dollars rounded upward, provided such adjusted and rounded amount shall not exceed the applicable contribution limit set forth in subsection (a) of section 9-611.

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(3) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of state senator for a district, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount of fifteen thousand dollars, including contributions

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from at least three hundred individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in said district, except that in the case of a primary or election held in [2018] 2024, or thereafter, the aggregate contribution amount shall be first adjusted under subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars with exactly fifty dollars rounded upward. The provisions of this subdivision shall be subject to the following: (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (D) of this subdivision and subsection (g) of section 9-610, (i) [before December 1, 2017, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds one hundred dollars, (ii) on and after December 1, 2017, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds two hundred fifty dollars, and [(iii)] (ii) any such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amount under this subdivision, (B) no contribution shall be counted for the purposes of the requirement under this subdivision for contributions from at least three hundred individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in the district unless the contribution is five dollars or more, and (C) all contributions received by an exploratory committee established by said candidate that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this section shall be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amount under this subdivision and all such exploratory committee contributions that also meet the requirement under this subdivision for contributions from at least three hundred individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in the district shall be counted for the purposes of said requirement, and (D) in the case of a primary or election held in [2020] 2024, or thereafter, the two-hundredfifty-dollar maximum individual contribution amount provided in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall be first adjusted under subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of ten dollars with exactly five dollars rounded upward, provided such adjusted and rounded amount shall not exceed

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(4) In the case of a candidate for nomination or election to the office of state representative for a district, contributions from individuals in the aggregate amount of five thousand dollars, including contributions from at least one hundred fifty individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in said district, except that in the case of a primary or election held in [2018] 2024, or thereafter, the aggregate contribution amount shall be first adjusted under subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of this section and then rounded to the nearest multiple of one hundred dollars with exactly fifty dollars rounded upward. The provisions of this subdivision shall be subject to the following: (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (D) of this subdivision and subsection (g) of section 9-610, (i) [before December 1, 2017, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds one hundred dollars, (ii) on and after December 1, 2017, the candidate committee shall return the portion of any contribution or contributions from any individual, including said candidate, that exceeds two hundred fifty dollars, and [(iii)] (ii) any such excess portion shall not be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amount under this subdivision, (B) no contribution shall be counted for the purposes of the requirement under this subdivision for contributions from at least one hundred fifty individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in the district unless the contribution is five dollars or more, (C) all contributions received by an exploratory committee established by said candidate that meet the criteria for qualifying contributions to candidate committees under this section shall be considered in calculating the aggregate contribution amount subdivision and all such exploratory committee contributions that also meet the requirement under this subdivision for contributions from at least one hundred fifty individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in the district shall be counted for the purposes of said requirement, and (D) in the case of a

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152 primary or election held in [2020] 2024, or thereafter, the two-hundred-153 fifty-dollar maximum individual contribution amount provided in 154 subparagraph (A) of this subdivision shall be first adjusted under 155 subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section and then rounded to the 156 nearest multiple of ten dollars with exactly five dollars rounded 157 upward, provided such adjusted and rounded amount shall not exceed the applicable contribution limit set forth in subsection (a) of section 9-158 159 611.

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- (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions (3) and (4) of this subsection, in the case of a special election for the office of state senator or state representative for a district, (A) the aggregate amount of qualifying contributions that the candidate committee of a candidate for such office shall be required to receive in order to be eligible for a grant from the Citizens' Election Fund shall be seventy-five per cent or more of the corresponding amount required under the applicable said subdivision (3) or (4), as adjusted and rounded pursuant to the applicable provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and (B) the number of contributions required from individuals residing in municipalities included, in whole or in part, in said district shall be seventy-five per cent or more of the corresponding number required under the applicable said subdivision (3) or (4).
- 173 (b) (1) [For elections for the office of Governor or Lieutenant 174 Governor held in 2022, and thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts in subdivision (1) or (2), as applicable, of subsection (a) of this 175 176 section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement 177 Commission not later than January 15, 2022, and quadrennially 178 thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index 179 for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department 180 of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on 181 January 1, 2017, and ending on December thirty-first in the year 182 preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.] For elections for the office of Governor or Lieutenant Governor held in 2026, and 183 184 thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts in subdivision (1) or (2), 185 as applicable, of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the

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State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2016, and ending on September thirtieth in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

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(2) [For elections for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State held in 2018, and thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2018, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2017, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.] For elections for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State held in 2026, and thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2016, and ending on September thirtieth in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

(3) (A) For elections for the office of state senator or state representative held in 2018, and thereafter until December 31, 2025, the aggregate contribution amounts in subdivision (3) or (4), as applicable, of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2018, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department

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of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2017, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

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(B) For elections for the office of state senator or state representative held in 2026, and thereafter, the aggregate contribution amounts in subdivision (3) or (4), as applicable, of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2016, and ending on September thirtieth in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

(c) (1) [For elections for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State held in 2022, and thereafter, the two-hundred-fifty-dollar maximum individual contribution amount in subdivision (1) or (2), as applicable, of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2022, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2017, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.] For elections for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State held in 2026, and thereafter, the two-hundred-fifty-dollar maximum individual contribution amount in subdivision (1) or (2), as applicable, of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2016, and ending on September

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254 <u>thirtieth in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is</u> 255 made.

- (2) (A) For elections for the office of state senator or state representative held in 2020, and thereafter <u>until December 31, 2025</u>, the two-hundred-fifty-dollar maximum individual contribution amount in subdivision (3) or (4), as applicable, of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2020, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2017, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.
- 267 (B) For elections for the office of state senator or state representative held in 2026, and thereafter, the two-hundred-fifty-dollar maximum 268 269 individual contribution amount in subdivision (3) or (4), as applicable, 270 of subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections 271 Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and biennially 272 thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index 273 for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department 274 of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on 275 October 31, 2016, and ending on September thirtieth in the year 276 preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.
- Sec. 2. Section 9-705 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):
 - (a) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Governor who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the Citizens' Election Fund for the primary campaign in the amount of one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in [2014] 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section

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(2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Governor who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of [six] twelve million dollars, provided (A) any such committee shall receive seventy-five per cent of said amount if such committee applies for such grant, in accordance with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before the fifty-sixth day preceding the election, (B) any such committee shall receive sixty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-second day preceding the election, (C) any such committee shall receive fifty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the forty-second day but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, (D) any such committee shall receive forty per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, and (E) in the case of an election held in [2014] 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

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(3) (A) In the case of a new primary ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, including pursuant to section 9-329a, a qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Governor who appears on the ballot for such new primary shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the new primary in an amount of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided in the case of a primary held in 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(B) In the case of an adjourned election pursuant to section 9-332 or a new election ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, including pursuant to section 9-324, a qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Governor who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter 153, and who appears on the ballot for such adjourned election or such new election shall be eligible to receive a

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- 320 grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of
- 321 <u>two hundred fifty thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election</u>
- 322 <u>held in 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under</u>
- 323 <u>subsection (d) of this section.</u>
- 324 (b) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate
- 325 for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State
- 326 Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has a primary
- 327 for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the
- 328 fund for the primary campaign in the amount of three hundred seventy-
- 329 five thousand dollars, provided, in the case of a primary held in [2014]
- 330 <u>2026</u>, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d)
- of this section.
- 332 (2) The qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of
- 333 Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State
- 334 Treasurer who has been nominated, or who has qualified to appear on
- 335 the election ballot in accordance with the provisions of subpart C of part
- 336 III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for
- the general election campaign in the amount of seven hundred fifty
- 338 thousand dollars, provided (A) any such committee shall receive
- 339 seventy-five per cent of said amount if such committee applies for such
- grant, in accordance with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before the fifty-sixth day preceding the election, (B) any such
- 342 committee shall receive sixty-five per cent of said amount if such
- 242 Committee shall receive sixty-rive per cent of said amount if such
- committee so applies on or after the fifty-sixth day but before the fortysecond day preceding the election, (C) any such committee shall receive
- 345 fifty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after
- 346 the forty-second day but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the
- election, (D) any such committee shall receive forty per cent of said
- 348 amount if such committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day
- preceding the election, and (E) in the case of an election held in [2014]
- 350 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d)
- 351 of this section.
- 352 (3) (A) (i) In the case of a new primary ordered by a court of

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competent jurisdiction, including pursuant to section 9-329a, a qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who appears on the ballot for such new primary shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the new primary in an amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, provided in the case of a primary held in 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(ii) In the case of an adjourned primary or a new primary for the office of Lieutenant Governor but not the office of Governor, where the party-endorsed candidate for Lieutenant Governor has declared prior to the primary that such candidate will campaign jointly with the party-endorsed candidate for Governor, pursuant to section 9-709, the joint committee shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the adjourned primary or the new primary in an amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, provided in the case of a primary held in 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(B) In the case of an adjourned election pursuant to section 9-332 or a new election ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, including pursuant to section 9-324, a qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter 153, and who appears on the ballot for such adjourned election or such new election shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held in 2026, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(c) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney

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General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (A) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in [2014] 2026, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

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(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election. The amount of the grant shall be one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (A) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the whole number

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of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, (B) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a candidate for the same office, and (C) in the case of an election held in [2014] 2026, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (d) of this section.

(3) In addition to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning party candidate and the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer shall be eligible to receive a supplemental grant from the fund after the general election if the treasurer of such candidate committee reports a deficit in the first statement filed after the general election, pursuant to section 9-608, as amended by this act, and such candidate received a greater percentage of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election than the percentage of votes utilized by such candidate to obtain a general election campaign grant described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection. The amount of such supplemental grant shall be calculated as follows:

(A) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than ten per cent, but not more than fifteen per cent, of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by such candidate and ten per cent and the denominator is ten, and (ii) two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office.

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(B) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than fifteen per cent, but less than twenty per cent, of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by such candidate and fifteen per cent and the denominator is five, and (ii) one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office.

- (C) The sum of the general election campaign grant received by any such candidate and a supplemental grant under this subdivision shall not exceed one hundred per cent of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (a) or (b) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office.
- (d) (1) (A) [Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, for elections held in 2014, and thereafter, the amount of the grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2014, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.] For the election for the office of Governor held in 2026, the amount of the grants in subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2026, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December 31, 2025.
 - (B) For elections for the office of Governor held in 2030, and thereafter, the amount of the grants in subsection (a) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later

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than October 31, 2029, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with
any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as
published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending
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(2) [For elections held in 2018, the amount of the grants in subsections (a), (b) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission immediately in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December 31, 2013.] For elections for the office of Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, State Treasurer or Secretary of the State held in 2026, and thereafter, the amount of the grants in subsection (b) or (c), as applicable, shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and quadrennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2009, and ending on September thirtieth in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.

(e) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state senator who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of thirty-five thousand dollars, provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be seventy-five thousand dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major party and the number of

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electors in a district shall be determined by the latest enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65. The names of electors on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

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- (2) (A) In the case of a state election, the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state senator who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of eighty-five thousand dollars, provided (i) any such committee shall receive seventy-five per cent of said amount if such committee applies for such grant, in accordance with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before the fifty-sixth day preceding the election, (ii) any such committee shall receive sixty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-second day preceding the election, (iii) any such committee shall receive fifty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the forty-second day but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, (iv) any such committee shall receive forty per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, and (v) in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.
- (B) In the case of a special election, the qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state senator who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount specified in subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision, provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.
- (3) (A) In the case of an adjourned primary pursuant to section 9-446 or a new primary ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction,

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including pursuant to section 9-329a, a qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state senator who appears on the ballot for such adjourned primary or such new primary shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the adjourned primary or the new primary in an amount of fifteen thousand dollars, provided in the case of a primary held in [2016] 2024, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

(B) In the case of an adjourned election pursuant to section 9-332 <u>or a new election ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction</u>, a qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state senator who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter 153, and who appears on the ballot for such adjourned election <u>or such new election</u> shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held [in 2016, or thereafter] <u>on or after July 1, 2023</u>, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

(f) (1) The qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state representative who has a primary for nomination to said office shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the primary campaign in the amount of ten thousand dollars, provided (A) if the percentage of the electors in the district served by said office who are enrolled in said major party exceeds the percentage of the electors in said district who are enrolled in another major party by at least twenty percentage points, the amount of said grant shall be twenty-five thousand dollars, and (B) in the case of a primary held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section. For the purposes of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, the number of enrolled members of a major party and the number of electors in a district shall be determined by the latest enrollment and voter registration records in the office of the Secretary of the State submitted in accordance with the provisions of section 9-65. The names of electors on the inactive registry list compiled under section 9-35 shall not be counted for such purposes.

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(2) (A) In the case of a state election, the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state representative who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter 153, shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars, provided (i) any such committee shall receive seventy-five per cent of said amount if such committee applies for such grant, in accordance with section 9-706, on or after the seventieth day but before the fifty-sixth day preceding the election, (ii) any such committee shall receive sixty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the fifty-sixth day but before the forty-second day preceding the election, (iii) any such committee shall receive fifty-five per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the forty-second day but before the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, (iv) any such committee shall receive forty per cent of said amount if such committee so applies on or after the twenty-eighth day preceding the election, and (v) in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

(B) In the case of a special election, the qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state representative who has been nominated shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount specified in subparagraph (A)(i) of this subdivision, provided in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

(3) (A) In the case of an adjourned primary pursuant to section 9-446 or a new primary ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction, including pursuant to section 9-329a, a qualified candidate committee of a major party candidate for the office of state representative who appears on the ballot for such adjourned primary or such new primary shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the adjourned primary or the new primary in an amount of five thousand dollars, provided in the case of a primary held in [2016] 2024, or thereafter, said

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amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

- (B) In the case of an adjourned election pursuant to section 9-332 <u>or a new election ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction</u>, a qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state representative who has been nominated, or has qualified to appear on the election ballot in accordance with subpart C of part III of chapter 153, and who appears on the ballot for such adjourned election <u>or such new election</u> shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign in the amount of five thousand dollars, provided in the case of an election held [in 2016, or thereafter] <u>on or after July 1, 2023</u>, said amount shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.
- (g) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least ten per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election.
- (A) In the case of a state election, the amount of the grant shall be one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (i) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, (ii) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes

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cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (A) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, and (iii) in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

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(B) In the case of a special election, the amount of the grant shall be one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (i) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, (ii) if the candidate of the same minor party for the same office at the last preceding regular election received at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, and (iii) in the case of an election held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (e) and (f) of this section, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative shall be eligible to receive a grant from the fund for the general election campaign if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least ten per cent of the whole

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(B) In the case of a special election, the amount of the grant shall be one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section for a candidate for the same office, provided (i) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least fifteen per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this

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section for a candidate for the same office, (ii) if said candidate's nominating petition has been signed by a number of qualified electors equal to at least twenty per cent of the whole number of votes cast for the same office at the last preceding regular election, the amount of the grant shall be the same as the amount of the general election campaign grant under subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (e) of this section or subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of this section held in 2010, or thereafter, said amounts shall be adjusted under subsection (h) of this section.

- (3) In addition to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, the qualified candidate committee of an eligible petitioning party candidate and the qualified candidate committee of an eligible minor party candidate for the office of state senator or state representative shall be eligible to receive a supplemental grant from the fund after the general election if the treasurer of such candidate committee reports a deficit in the first statement filed after the general election, pursuant to section 9-608, as amended by this act, and such candidate received a greater percentage of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election than the percentage of votes utilized by such candidate to obtain a general election campaign grant described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection. The amount of such supplemental grant shall be calculated as follows:
- (A) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than ten per cent, but less than fifteen per cent, of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by such candidate and ten per cent and the denominator is ten, and (ii) two-thirds of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office.
 - (B) In the case of any such candidate who receives more than fifteen

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per cent, but less than twenty per cent, of the whole number of votes cast for all candidates for said office at said election, the grant shall be the product of (i) a fraction in which the numerator is the difference between the percentage of such whole number of votes received by such candidate and fifteen per cent and the denominator is five, and (ii) one-third of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office.

(C) The sum of the general election campaign grant received by any such candidate and a supplemental grant under this subdivision shall not exceed one hundred per cent of the amount of the general election campaign grant under subsection (e) or (f) of this section for a major party candidate for the same office.

- (h) (1) [Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, for] For elections for the office of state senator or state representative held in 2010, and thereafter until December 31, 2025, the amount of the grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 2010, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.
- (2) [For elections held in 2018, the amount of the grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission immediately in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on January 1, 2008, and ending on December 31, 2015.] For elections for the office of state senator or state representative held in 2026, and thereafter, the amount of the grants in subsections (e), (f) and (g) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and biennially

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- 789 thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index
- for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department
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- 792 October 1, 2007, and ending on September thirtieth in the year preceding
- 793 <u>the year in which said adjustment is to be made.</u>

- 794 (i) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (a) to (h), inclusive, 795 of this section:
 - (1) The initial grant that a qualified candidate committee for a candidate is eligible to receive under subsections (a) to (h), inclusive, of this section shall be reduced by the amount of any personal funds that the candidate provides for the candidate's campaign for nomination or election pursuant to subsection (c) of section 9-710;
 - (2) If a participating candidate is nominated at a primary and does not expend the entire grant for the primary campaign authorized under subsection (a), (b), (e) or (f) of this section, the amount of the grant for the general election campaign shall be reduced by the total amount of any such unexpended primary campaign grant and moneys;
 - (3) If a participating candidate who is nominated for election does not have any opponent in the general election campaign, the amount of the general election campaign grant for which the qualified candidate committee for said candidate shall be eligible shall be thirty per cent of the applicable amount set forth in subsections (a) to (h), inclusive, of this section. For purposes of this subdivision, a participating candidate shall be deemed to have an opponent if (A) a major party has properly endorsed any other candidate and made the requisite filing with the Secretary of the State within the time specified in section 9-391 or 9-400, as applicable, (B) any candidate of any other major party has received not less than fifteen per cent of the vote of convention delegates and has complied with the filing requirements set forth in section 9-400, or (C) any candidate of any other major party has circulated a petition and obtained the required number of signatures for filing a candidacy for nomination and has either qualified for the primary or been deemed the

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- (4) If the only opponent or opponents of a participating candidate who is nominated for election to an office are eligible minor party candidates or eligible petitioning party candidates and no such eligible minor party candidate's or eligible petitioning party candidate's candidate committee has received a total amount of contributions of any type that is equal to or greater than the amount of the qualifying contributions that a candidate for such office is required to receive under section 9-704, as amended by this act, to be eligible for grants from the Citizens' Election Fund, the amount of the general election campaign grant for such participating candidate shall be sixty per cent of the applicable amount set forth in this section; and
- (5) The amount of the primary grant or general election campaign grant for a qualified candidate committee shall be reduced, pursuant to the provisions of this subdivision, if such candidate committee has control and custody over lawn signs from any prior election or primary in the following applicable amount: (A) Five hundred or more lawn signs for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (B) one hundred or more lawn signs for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state senator, or (C) fifty or more lawn signs for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state representative. If such qualified candidate committee has custody and control over lawn signs in the applicable amount, as described in this subdivision, the grant from the fund for the primary campaign or general election campaign, as applicable, for such qualified candidate committee shall be reduced as follows: (i) Two thousand five hundred dollars for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Comptroller, Secretary of the State or State Treasurer, (ii) five hundred dollars for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state senator, or (iii) two hundred fifty dollars for the qualified candidate committee of a candidate for the office of state representative.

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In no event shall such a reduction be made both to a qualified candidate committee's primary campaign grant and to such candidate committee's general election grant. No reduction in either the primary campaign or general election campaign for a qualified candidate committee's grant shall be taken for any lawn sign that is not in the custody or control of the qualified candidate committee. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to apply to any item other than lawn signs.

- Sec. 3. Subsection (e) of section 9-718 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,* 2023):
- 865 (e) (1) For any election held in 2014, and thereafter until December 31, 866 2025, the amount of the limitations on organization expenditures 867 provided in subsections (a) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by 868 the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than January 15, 869 2014, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the 870 consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the 871 United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during 872 the period beginning on January 1, 2010, and ending on December 873 thirty-first in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to 874 be made.

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- (2) For any election held in 2026, and thereafter, the amount of the limitations on organization expenditures provided in subsections (a) and (c) of this section shall be adjusted by the State Elections Enforcement Commission not later than October 31, 2025, and biennially thereafter, in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, during the period beginning on October 1, 2009, and ending on September thirtieth in the year preceding the year in which said adjustment is to be made.
- Sec. 4. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 9-608 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

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(a) (1) Each treasurer of a committee, other than a state central committee, shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false statement with the proper authority in accordance with the provisions of section 9-603, (A) on the tenth calendar day in the months of January, April, July and October, provided, if such tenth calendar day is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the statement shall be filed on the next business day, except that in the case of a candidate or exploratory committee established for an office to be elected at a special election, statements pursuant to this subparagraph shall not be required, (B) on the seventh day preceding each regular state election, except that (i) in the case of a candidate or exploratory committee established for an office to be elected at a municipal election, the statement shall be filed on the seventh day preceding a regular municipal election in lieu of such date, except if the candidate's name is not eligible to appear on the ballot, in which case such statement shall not be required, (ii) in the case of a town committee, the statement shall be filed on the seventh day preceding each municipal election in addition to such date, (iii) in the case of a candidate committee in a state election, [that is required to file any supplemental campaign finance statements pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-712, such] the supplemental campaign finance statements required to be filed pursuant to subsection (a) of section 9-712, as amended by this act, shall satisfy the filing requirement under this subdivision, and (iv) in the case of a candidate committee established by a candidate whose name is not eligible to appear on the ballot, such statement shall not be required, and (C) if the committee has made or received a contribution or expenditure in connection with any other election, a primary or a referendum, on the seventh day preceding the election, primary or referendum, except that in the case of a candidate committee in a primary [that is required to file statements pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of section 9-712, such for an office to be voted upon at a state election, the statements required to be filed pursuant to subsection (a) of section 9-712, as amended by this act, shall satisfy the filing requirement under this subdivision. The statement shall be complete as of eleven fifty-nine o'clock p.m. of the last day of the month preceding the month in which

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922 the statement is required to be filed, except that for the statement 923 required to be filed on the seventh day preceding the election, primary 924 or referendum, the statement shall be complete as of eleven fifty-nine o'clock p.m. of the second day immediately preceding the required filing 925 926 day. The statement shall cover a period to begin with the first day not 927 included in the last filed statement. In the case of a candidate committee, 928 the statement required to be filed in January shall be in lieu of the 929 statement formerly required to be filed within forty-five days following 930 an election.

Sec. 5. Subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 9-712 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

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- (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, the statements required to be filed pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection shall not be required to be filed by (A) a candidate committee of a candidate that is exempt from filing campaign finance statements pursuant to subsection (b) of section 9-608 unless or until such a candidate committee receives or expends an amount in excess of one thousand dollars for purposes of the primary or election for which such committee was formed, (B) a candidate committee of a candidate who is no longer eligible for a position on the ballot, or (C) a candidate committee of a participating candidate that is unopposed or a candidate committee of a nonparticipating candidate that is unopposed or opposed only by a nonparticipating candidate or candidates, except that such candidate committee shall file a supplemental statement on the last Thursday before the applicable primary or general election. Such statement shall be complete as of eleven fifty-nine o'clock p.m. of the second day immediately preceding the required filing day. The statement shall cover a period beginning with the first day not included in the last filed statement.
- Sec. 6. (*Effective July 1*, 2023) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3-69a of the general statutes, as amended by this act, the sum of _____ dollars shall be transferred from the resources of the General Fund

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to the Citizens' Election Fund, established pursuant to section 9-701 of the general statutes, and credited to said fund for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.

958 Sec. 7. Section 3-69a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):

- (a) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, the funds received under this part, excluding the proceeds from the sale of property deposited in the Special Abandoned Property Fund in accordance with section 3-62h, shall be deposited in the General Fund.
- (2) (A) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and each fiscal year thereafter, a portion of the funds received under this part shall, upon deposit in the General Fund, be credited to the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 9-701 as follows: [(A)] (i) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, seventeen million dollars, [(B)] (ii) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, sixteen million dollars, [(C)] (iii) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, seventeen million three hundred thousand dollars, and [(D)] (iv) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, and each fiscal year thereafter, the amount deposited for the preceding fiscal year, adjusted in accordance with any change in the consumer price index for all urban consumers for such preceding fiscal year, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. The State Treasurer shall determine such adjusted amount not later than thirty days after the end of such preceding fiscal year.
- (B) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of this subdivision, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, and each fiscal year thereafter preceding the fiscal year in which an election for the office of Governor is to be held, a portion of the funds received under this part shall, upon deposit in the General Fund, be credited to the Citizens' Election Fund as deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of chapter 157 for the election cycle in which such election is to be held, based on the report issued by the State Elections Enforcement Commission pursuant to subsection (b) of section 9-716, as amended by this act.

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987 (b) All costs incurred in the administration of this part, except as 988 provided in section 3-62h and subsection (a) of this section, and all 989 claims allowed under this part shall be paid from the General Fund.

- Sec. 8. Subsection (b) of section 9-716 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):
- (b) Not later than [January first] the forty-first day preceding the day
 of the primary in any year in which [a state] an election for the office of
 Governor is to be held, the commission shall determine whether the
 amount of moneys in the fund is sufficient to carry out the purposes of
 this chapter. The commission shall issue a report on said determination.
- 998 Sec. 9. Section 9-750 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2023*):
 - [(a)] If, (1) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, or any fiscal year thereafter, the amount of funds available under section 3-69a, as amended by this act, for deposit in the Citizens' Election Fund established in section 9-701 is less than the amount of funds required under said section 3-69a, as amended by this act, to be deposited in said fund, resulting in an insufficiency in the amount of the deposit, or (2) during an election cycle the amount of funds in the Citizens' Election Fund is less than the amount of funds required to provide grants to each qualified candidate committee pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, resulting in an insufficiency in said fund, a portion of the revenues from the tax imposed under chapter 208, equal to the amount of any insufficiency described in subdivision (1) or (2) of this section, shall be deposited in said fund to allow for the payment of grants pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.
 - [(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 3-69a, if funds are deposited into the Citizens' Election Fund pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, the aggregate amount of any such deposits shall be deducted from the amount deposited into said fund under section 3-69a for the following fiscal year.]

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2023	9-704(a) to (c)
Sec. 2	July 1, 2023	9-705
Sec. 3	July 1, 2023	9-718(e)
Sec. 4	July 1, 2023	9-608(a)(1)
Sec. 5	July 1, 2023	9-712(a)(4)
Sec. 6	July 1, 2023	New section
Sec. 7	July 1, 2023	3-69a
Sec. 8	July 1, 2023	9-716(b)
Sec. 9	July 1, 2023	9-750

Statement of Purpose:

To (1) increase grant amounts for gubernatorial candidates, (2) modify the consumer price index adjustments for grant amounts and maximum individual contribution amounts across the Citizens' Election Program, as well as for organization expenditure amounts, (3) authorize adequate funding of the program, (4) provide grants in the event of adjourned primaries and court-ordered new elections or primaries, (5) establish instate contributor thresholds for the qualifying amounts state-wide candidates are required to raise, (6) provide that certain supplemental campaign finance statements shall satisfy certain filing requirements, and (7) specify that individual contributions under the program may not exceed already-established contribution limits.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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